

FINE MILITARY ROAD.

Was a Genuine Surprise to Gen. Roy Stone.

Gen. Roy Stone, of Pennsylvania, given to the matter. who is with the army in Puerto Rico, is the government good roads expert. Before the war he was officially enthe good roads movement, and was sent away with the army with a view to bringing his expert knowledge to of our army supplies.

in Cuba was what might have been expected under Spanish administration. into the mountains north of Ponce, and in carrying out that purpose he by the Spaniards, running up the mountains to a height of 5,000 feet, part of the way hewn out of solid rock, and throughout displaying the finest engineering skill. Up this fine highficers and correspondents were drawn

Nothing more creditable to the Spaniards has been found in Cuba or Puerto Rico during the war. The excursion must have been especially gratifying to Gen. Stone, and he may be depended upon to make the American public acquainted with the facts to stir. The ox eart with its broad I should say that the most prolific regarding this piece of road engineering when he returns.

One of the incidents which marked this reconnoisance was the discovery be equipped with broad tires. The jority of cases injury is inflicted on the at the mountain town of Adjuntas of farm wagon cannot be dispensed with, left side, showing that in most cases a rich Englishman who had been there but the ox cart, with its slowly moy- the riders fall to the left. over 50 years, whose children spoke ing team, is going out of use, and some "Another cause is the tendency for only Spanish and French, and who had almost forgotten his native speech. His delight over the coming of Englishspeaking visitors found expression in a cordial invitation to the party to dine with him, while the natives showed their gratification over the appearance of the Americans by hoisting flags and cheering the visitors.

The scenery in the mountains north of Ponce is described as being less bold but as beautiful as that of the Alps. Evidently after matters have been settled down in Puerto Rico that island will become a favorite resort of American tourists.-Rochester Demo-

DELIGHTFUL ROADS.

The East Seems Now Fully Alive the Importance of Well-Constructed Highways.

Great Britain and continental Europe are the wheelman's paradise, because there good highways are an established I failed to see the force of his reason- 7,801, foot guards 6,120, and infantry factor of civilization, and not a recent | ing and decided to ignore it. The felloe and sudden demand. In this country 16 states have since 1892 passed laws for the betterment of their roads, and told him my plan. Before he got the and the colonies for 42,906. This leaves everywhere the good intentions of the



PENNSYLVANIA'S GOOD ROADS.

communities in this regard are in way to be slowly, if not always surely, carried out. Massachusetts first set the example, and to-day has in the neighborhood of 2,200 miles of road under supervision of the state highway commissioners. New York and Pennsylvania have some good roads-and others like that described by the college professor in his lecture, when he said: "The going got so bad that even a mule couldn't get along, so I went around." The accompanying photograph shows as fine a stretch of macadam as anyone could wish for. It is one of several such along the Susquehanna and the blue Juniata, in the beautiful Keystone state.-Leslie's Weekly.

DON'TS FOR DAIRYMEN.

Don't keep cream after it is ripe, but churn at once.

keep it separate until all is ripe.

Don't try to work the buttermilk out feeding .- Dakota Field and Farm.

of the butter; wash it out while in the granular stage.

Don't think that because some men

say so a cow is merely a machine. She is the most nervous animal of all ani- the coroner's jury sitting in the case

cream will make no difference when A mile from town he was overcome by churning.

good looker she is a good cow; the re- inches deep and very fine. Backgaard | verse is invariably true. - Michigan fell on his face and was unable to turn Farmer.

TIRES FOR FARM USE.

Which Proves More Than Newspaper Arguments Do.

Broad tires on farm vehicles are comng slowly into use, and but for the their use would be much more com- great uneasiness. mon than now. So far as yet appears, It Was Found in Puerto Rico and only objection being the cost of the duty lies more directly with the cychange. But the cost cannot be great, while the advantages are so many that

Among the advantages are an easier draft for the team and less wear and said, "there has been a steady increase tear to the tire and the road bed. Nar- in the number of cycling accidents gaged in advancing the interests of row tires have a less supporting surface by which to uphold the load, and | year they have gone up with a bound. that makes them cut into the ground Of course, you may say that such a with more force, and especially when it state of affairs is the natural outcome bear upon the problem of preparing is soft. Suppose the tire to be shaped of the vast increase in the number of the highways for the transportation like the capital V, everyone can see recruits to the cycling army. But the tendency. From this constant wear we crease in the number of riders, and have an alternation of dust, mud when | many of the insurance companies are | But a delightful surprise awaited Gen. it rains and ruts in spring and fall, in on the point of greatly increasing the the story of his recovery as follows: Stone in Puerto Rico. He was obliged addition to the wear and tear of the premiums for cyclists. to make a reconnoitering expedition team, harness, wagon, and the odds and ends of time lost for repairs to ed for by the fact that so many ladies found a splendid military road, built of cost are posted, the sum will be sinuate that the fair wheelwomen are At times I was bent almost double, and got whom economy is important.

to drive over freshly plowed ground, cision and timidity fail. by native ponies who went at a gallop. or only once or twice harrowed, and onds, or sink it to a depth impossible ways than in the streets of large cities. tires is much more serviceable on such cause of cycling accidents is the slipland, and that fact should teach farm- ping of the machine on grassy roads, ers that the farm wagons should also and it is a curious fact that in the mavenient or dangerous to use horses.

> match the width of the tires; but this is an error, at least when the old rims eycle. are in good condition. The broad are, and no trouble follow. I speak row tire, used it a month or two until | death roll."-London Mail. the tire came off, and then determined to try a board tire, three inches wide, instead of an inch and a half. On buying the barrow, I asked the dealer if a ground, as the rim of the tire would extend over the felloe, it would become was not one of the best, and the blacksmith looked rather dubious when I tire on he seemed to feel-as I thought after he had unintentionally-though "just as he expected"-chipped off a piece where the ends met. It was not bolted firmly, and after some months bolted by another blacksmith, since which it has done excellent service. The predicted difficulty has not been realized in the least, though it has often been used on plowed or spaded earth with loads about as heavy as are carried on solid ground. The narrow price of the wheelbarrow.

ystem of roads in the near future, and with them broad tires will be a natural the roads in repair. The rapid wear of narrow tires is soon apparent in the rounded edges assumed, because the friction at the edges is always the greatest. The moment the tire is broadened the friction lessens, and could it be used at the width of a foot or more, the friction would be almost infinitesimal. With only broad tires on our roads we should have much less dust than now, and that would be a gain in comfort as well as in the cos for repairs. With less dust we should have less mud in wet weather, and roads with a minimum of dust and mud would almost reach the idea standard.-Philip Snyder, in Country Gentleman.

Sugar Beets for Cows. Where there is no beet sugar factory farmers who have dairy herds and no silo will find the beets actually worth more than the factories offer in feed ing out to cows and young stock. Two acres of sugar beets with a good erop should be about right to use up for a herd of ten or twelve cows. Perhaps the chemist may not find a nutritive value of five dollars a ton, as compared with alfalfa hay, but no small part of Don't mix sour and sweet cream; the actual value of the beet is its effeet upon the digestion of other foods, Don't exercise your cows by send- The coarse forage seems to be more ing the dog to bring them from pas- thoroughly digested and more grain can be fed without danger of over-

A Victim of Bad Roads.

"Smothered to death in the dust of the public highway" is the verdict of of Lars Backgaard, at Council Bluffs. Don't think that three or four de- Ia. Backgaard came to town and grees difference in temperature in the started home in the heat of the day. the heat and fell from his horse. The Don't-think that because a cow is a dust at this particular point was ten

FATAL WHEELING ACCIDENTS.

experience of an Eastern Farmer English Insurance Companies Becoming Anxlous Over Their Bicycle Risks.

In conversation with an official of nothing is to be said against them, the an accident insurance company whose cling department of the company, a Daily Mail representative endeavored it seems strange how little attention is to ascertain why the death roll was growing so fast.

"As far as our experience goes," he during the last two years, but this that it would cut into the road, hence increase in the number of cycling ac-

everything in use. When all the items | eyele nowadays. I do not mean to in- and my sufferings were at all times intense. found a very serious one to those to more reckless than their male rela- Nothing seemed to give me permanent re-In hauling loads over the farm where more nervous and less decisive than tion was called to some of the wonderful there are no beaten roads, or only apol- men, and in a tight corner, which for Pale People. I had not taken more than ogies for them, the waste is greatest. man's coolness and promptness would half a box when I noticed an improvement way the vehicles of the party of of- In farm operations it is often necessary carry him thorugh, a woman's inde- in my condition, and I kept on improving

fine day in the future will disappear, mere novices to ride brakeless bi- request. All she wanted was something by recognized superiority is assured when the except in sections where it is incon- cycles. Nearly all the fatalities on which to remember the campaign in Cuba. have been due to this. I notice that a It is evidently a common idea that to use broad tires requires broad-rimmed | well-known cyclist remarked recently wheels-in other words, new wheels to that in his opinion the safest place in will remind me of the hardships you went the world was in the saddle of a bl-

"From experience, I should entirely tires can be put on them just as they disagree with him, for, in my opinion, the safest place in the world is in a from a rather limited experience, but railway carriage. According to statisin spite of that feel confident that I | ties there is a far greater chance of am right. Some three years since, I accident on a bicycle than in a railway bought a new wheelbarrow with a nar- train. No pastime has such a fearful

The British Army in 1897.

age of the effective strength of all broad tire could not be used on it, and branches of the service during that he said he thought not-that on soft year was 219,283. Of these 18,049 were for the next century. Now that the war is 14,263 field artillery and 17,545 garrison mate use. It will make a lovely plaque." loaded with earth and make trouble. artillery. The engineers numbered of the line 135,467. The majority of this force, 117,128, were scattered abroad. India accounted for 74,222, and Egypt only 102,155 stationed in the United -profanely inclined, but succeeded Kingdom, and while these officers and men are properly classed as "effectives," a considerable proportion of them are needed for other than marching and fighting purposes. The leakage during of use and shrinkage in hot weather, the year amounted to 35,400, which incame off, but was reset and firmly cludes men who died, deserted, were discharged, and transfers to the reserve. The new recruits were 35,-034.—N. Y. Sun.

Onions for Sleeplessness.

A successful physician recommends baked onions for sleeplessness caused tire would not be replaced for the from a derangement of the nervous system. Here is a tried recipe for bak-We are bound to have an improved | ing them: Wash the onions, but do not peel them. Boil them until tender in water that has been salted, and change adjunct to reduce the cost of keeping the water twice. Remove from the water, drain thoroughly, wrap them carefully in butterd tissue-paper and bake in a slow oven for an hour. Then remove the outer skins, brown the onions quickly and pour melted butter over them. Serve hot .- N. Y. Tribune.

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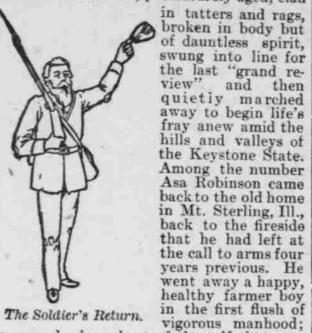
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A SOLDIER'S ESCAPE.

From the Democrat-Message, Mt. Sterling, Ill.

When Richmond had fallen and the great The enormous increase in the num- commanders had met beneath the historic per of fatal cycling accidents is caus- apple tree at Appomattox, the 83d Pennconservatism" of the average farmer ing the leading insurance companies sylvania Volunteers, prematurely aged, clad in tatters and rags, broken in body but



The condition of the so-called roads the narrower it is the greater is this cidents is far, far in excess of the in- he came back a ghost of the self that answered to President Lincoln's call for "300,-To-day he is an alert, active man and tells

"I was a great sufferer from sciatica rheu-"I suppose it can mainly be account- matism almost from the time of my discharge from the army. Most of the time I was unfitted for manual labor of any kind, tives, but by nature most women are lief until three years ago, when my attensteadily. I took three boxes of the pills, "We find, too, that the actual num- dition than at any time was in better conand at the end of that time was in better connarrow tires make anything but a light | ber of accidents that occur on country | army service. Since then I have never been load impossible to stir except for a rod roads is greater than the number | bothered with rheumatism. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People is the only rem-

THE PROPER USE.

Hardtack Converted Into a Durable Souvenir of the War with Spain.

She was a collector of souvenirs. The young man who had just returned dangerous hills in the holiday season He was about to respond in the usual romantic fashion and offer himself, when she

"All I desire is some worthless trifle that through in defense of liberty 'How would one of the buttons off my uniform do?" he inquired.

'No; I want something that was associated with you in your daily routine of life; not a mark that would designate any and all Uncle Sam's soldiers. I want to hang in the parlor and preserve it forever." "It must be indestructible, then?" "Well, the more nearly so, of course, the

He was lost in meditation for some minutes. Then, with brightening countenance,

"How thoughtless it was of me not to The preliminary returns of the Brit- realize it before! I have the very thing. ish army for 1897 show that the aver- I've carried it for weeks in my pocket over my heart as a piece of armor plate. You can take this hartack and paint a little cavalry of the line, 2,723 horse artillery, over I'm glad to see it put to some legiti-

KNOWLEDGE ENOUGH.

Although She Was from Boston She Cared Not for a Higher Subject Than Beans.

Notwithstanding her nose turned up, there were specs on it, and she was from Boston, which may be considered to be competent testimony that heredity isn't everything. She was visiting in Brooklyn before the hot spell and the first young man she met was one who prides himself on his intellectuals. Whether anyone else does or not is another story. As it happened, the young man had an opportunity shortly after the meeting to talk with the young woman alone, and he

did not fail to throw a few brains at her.
"Ah, Miss Sophia," he said, with a soulful yearn in his gentle voice, "I presume you attend several of the numerous schools of philosophy in which Boston is so rich and Brooklyn is so poor?

"I am sorry," she hesitated, "but really, Mr. Blank, I do not attend any." "Indeed, and do you feel no interest in any of the concepts of modern philosophic

"None whatever, I fear," and she really seemed to be sorry to have been so careless of her golden, glorious opportunities. "And does not the subjective idealism of existence in delightful Boston profoundly

affect the reality of your Ego?" 'So far I have not observed that it did." she said, apologetically. "How can it be possible?" he exclaimed. The sphere of your knowledge must be far

wider than it is with us.' "No," she answered, measuring her words carefully. "I should say it was not. Don't you know as long as we Bostonians know beans when the bag's open we don't worry overmuch about the rest of it. Why should we? Isn't that enough for us to know?"

TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS FINE

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It is a singular fact, but none the less true, that in England in the year 1700 women were not allowed to wear calico dresses at all, and in 1721 a penalty or fine of £5 was laid upon the wearer, and the unfortunate dealer who sold calico in those days had to pay a penalty of \$100 for the offense. It is hardly necessary to say that no one of them ever undertook to sell more than one dress pattern. The women of this country may bless their lucky stars that nothing has ever interfered with their privilege to buy and wear calico to their heart's content. Moreover, they can be thankful that they are able to purchase the best quality the world produces right here at home. The goods of one firm are especially sought after name William Simpson & Sons is found on the ticket. At least that is what the ladies and the storekeepers say, and they ought to know.

Unshaken Confidence.

"It's always pretty safe to judge a man by the company he keeps. 'Oh, I don't know. There are exceptions. My Uncle John's business makes it necessary for him to associate with aldermen a

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